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Sir:

On March 27, 2003 an Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449 was filed in the subject application. As of the present date, however, the initialed and dated PTO-FORM 1449 has not been returned to the offices of the undersigned. A copy of the Information Disclosure Statement, PTO Form 1449 and postcard receipt are attached.

Please now urgently return a fully Initialed copy of the Form PTO-1449 filed March 27, 2003 so that our file in this regard is complete.

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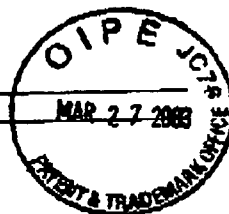
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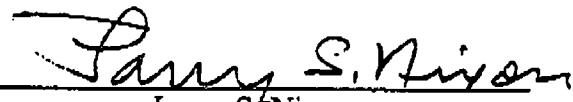
Attention is directed to the attached UK Search Report for a UK counterpart of  
this application and each reference cited therein. A PTO-1449 is also attached.

Official consideration and citation of each such reference is requested.

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